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In re Application of:

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For: CLONING AND CHARACTERIZATION)
OF THE flba GENE OF *H. PYLORI*,
PRODUCTION OF AFLAGELLATE
STRAINS)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Office Action dated October 4, 1999, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the subject application in light of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Add as the first paragraph of the specification:

Under the provisions of Section 119 of 35 U.S.C., applicants hereby claim the benefit of the filing date of French Patent Application No. 95 08068, filed July 4, 1995, for this United States Patent Application Serial No. 08/671,757.

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